

West Lafayette Beautification Award

November, 2011

Olga and Bob Jeffares have lived on Pawnee Circle for 19 years, enjoying the privacy and seclusion of this neighborhood overlooking Happy Hollow Park. Their acre of land with a steep ravine leading down to the park road has many mature trees, with the house designed to sit among them. A centerpiece garden in front features two beautiful Japanese maples as well as shady perennials and conifers. Olga likes hosta and has a wide variety in this garden, as well as purple iris from the Birmingham garden of Bob's mother. The driveway was recently replanted with ten oakleaf hydrangeas lining the edge. Dragon wing begonias are Bob's favorite annual and are featured in planters near the front door.

Spring color around the home is added with dogwoods and redbuds, as well as many bulbs – crocus and tulips. This presents a feast for wildlife, primarily chipmunks and rabbits who feast on the foliage and blossoms. Other wildlife seen in the back yard include a coyote, fox, raccoons and many different birds. They suspect deer have dined off their chrysanthemums. With wonderful views from the house of this well-designed landscape, the Jeffares should be congratulated for achieving both an inside as well as outside enjoyment of nature.

